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In re Patent Application of:
Riqiang Yan et al.

Application No.: 10/801,487

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Art Unit: 1639

For: SUBSTRATES AND ASSAYS FOR BETA-
SECRETASE ACTIVITY

Examiner: J. Lundgren

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed July 8, 2009, in which pending claims 84, 85, 87-92 and 94-109 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph and the judicially-created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. This response is timely filed with a petition and fee for three-months extension of time.

Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

Accompanying this response is a terminal disclaimer and the required fee, and an Appendices A-C.